

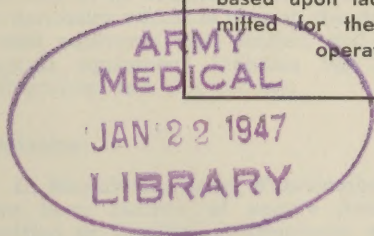
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Weekly Health Report

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Occupied Germany:

In the following Appendices "A," "B," and "C" are summaries of cases and deaths by Regierungsbezirk and Land, and case rates by Regierungsbezirk and Land for the week ended 24 August 1946.

Communicable Diseases:

For the third consecutive week, no cases of typhus fever have been reported in the U.S. Zone. Diphtheria and scarlet fever continue to increase slightly. The reported cases of poliomyelitis increased by seven this week with 4 cases in Bavaria, 6 in Greater Hesse, 8 in Wuerttemberg-Baden, 7 in Bremen, and 2 in U.S. Sector Berlin. There were eight deaths. The incidence of both gonorrhea and syphilis continues to increase with syphilis showing a proportionately greater increase than gonorrhea. Typhoid fever has decreased during the past two weeks. Malaria has also decreased from 32 reported cases last week to 15 during the current week with most of the decrease occurring in Bavaria and U.S. Sector Berlin.

Medical Supplies:

Bremen reports that approximately three tons of medical supplies from decommissioned Kriegsmarine ships in Wesermunde have been turned over to the local civilian health officials for distribution. Due to the increase of poliomyelitis cases, Greater Hesse is reviving the old organization for obtaining blood donations from persons who have recovered from the disease, in order to increase the production of poliomyelitis serum.

Hospitalization:

Information has been received from Third U.S. Army Headquarters to the effect that the Civilian Internee Hospital No. 2 in Karlsruhe, Land Wuerttemberg-Baden, will be turned over to the Military Government for operation on or about 15 September. This hospital consists of several buildings of various sizes with a total capacity of approximately 2500 patients. At present there are only 1600 patients, including 400 tuberculous cases, but capacity is expected to be reached upon receipt of the patients from the hospital in Bad Mergentheim which is now in the process of transfer to UNRRA. The hospital is well equipped, well staffed, and most medical supplies are sufficient. The hospital equipment includes one X-ray machine which provides adequate radiography and fluoroscopy.

Sanitation:

In Mannheim, Land Wuerttemberg-Baden, all bunkers and airraid shelters have been cleared of people living in them and these people have been resettled in Landkreis Mannheim and Stadt-Landkreis Heidelberg. Approximately 2500 people have been moved during the past month in addition to about 1300 during the previous month, making a total of approximately 3800 people who have been evacuated to date. Progress is also being made in moving people out of cellars but this project is somewhat more difficult than the one of clearing bunkers. Further improvement of the environmental sanitation in the Land has resulted from an increased allocation of coal and soap to laundries and dry cleaning establishments for improving hygienic care of clothing.

APPENDIX "A"

Communicable Disease Report United States Zone of Germany for Week Ending 24 August 1946

Regierungs- bezirk	Popu- lation	Reported Number of New CASES and DEATHS of COMMUNICABLE DISEASE																			c: Cases		d: Deaths				
		Cases, Deaths																									
		Typhus Fever louse borne	Relapsing Fever	Smallpox	Cholera	Plague	Anthrax	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis lung and larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis meningococcus	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious jaundice	Scabies	Rabies	Encephalitis epidemic	Malaria	Influenza	Measles
TOTAL US Zone	16,679,390	—	—	—	—	—	—	847 34	223 —	693 162	123 11	833 2	6 4	27 8	1056 3	140 9	40 1	44 1	1 —	1 —	5 —	3280 —	— —	4 3	15 —	14 —	141 —
Unterfranken	935,625	—	—	—	—	—	—	38 1	5 —	45 6	2 —	40 —	— —	73 43	10 3	3 5	— —	— —	— —	— —	— —	228 —	— —	1 —	1 —	— —	3 —
Ober- and Mittelfranken	2,166,033	—	—	—	—	—	—	92 4	34 —	76 18	2 3	80 —	— —	1 424	174 2	16 2	3 —	2 —	— —	— —	— —	460 —	— —	— —	— —	— —	47 —
Niederbayern and Oberpfalz	1,866,526	—	—	—	—	—	—	88 2	9 —	26 9	5 2	59 —	2 2	1 282	95 —	29 3	7 —	— —	— —	— —	— —	570 —	— —	— —	— —	— —	1 —
Schwaben	1,040,631	—	—	—	—	—	—	39 1	20 —	39 6	4 —	121 —	— —	— 171	51 1	14 —	3 —	1 —	— —	— —	— —	209 —	— —	— —	— —	— —	1 —
Oberbayern	2,160,916	—	—	—	—	—	—	80 6	21 —	89 15	9 —	74 —	— —	2 410	112 —	15 2	1 —	3 —	— —	— —	— —	267 —	— —	1 —	3 —	— —	56 —
Kassel	1,153,323	—	—	—	—	—	—	67 4	26 —	32 16	12 1	57 —	— —	4 140	48 —	5 —	— —	1 —	— —	1 —	— —	237 —	— —	— —	1 —	— —	6 —
Wiesbaden	1,461,997	—	—	—	—	—	—	78 4	23 —	78 16	23 2	98 1	— —	— 309	162 —	8 —	12 —	4 —	— —	— —	— —	32 —	— —	1 3	3 —	— —	1 —
Hessen	1,178,132	—	—	—	—	—	—	63 1	12 —	73 5	3 —	73 —	3 1	2 182	64 —	3 —	6 —	1 —	— —	— —	— —	308 —	— —	1 —	1 —	14 —	9 —
Baden	1,249,127	—	—	—	—	—	—	67 3	17 —	52 10	18 1	107 1	— —	3 213	53 —	11 —	2 —	6 —	— —	— —	— —	672 —	— —	1 —	— —	— —	— —
Württemberg	2,044,156	—	—	—	—	—	—	115 5	29 —	63 12	8 1	119 —	— —	5 258	75 —	14 1	5 —	2 —	— —	— —	— —	146 —	— —	— —	— —	— —	17 —
Bremen Port Command	478,106	—	—	—	—	—	—	52 1	6 —	19 4	5 1	5 —	1 1	3 —	37 —	1 —	4 —	2 —	— —	— —	— —	151 —	— —	— —	— —	— —	— —
Berlin (US Sector)	944,818	—	—	—	—	—	—	95 2	21 —	101 45	32 —	— —	— —	2 300	142 —	14 1	10 —	— —	— —	— —	— —	— —	— —	— —	6 —	— —	— —

a) Bremen included in report.

+ No data submitted.

APPENDIX "B" Communicable Disease Report (by Land) United States Zone of Germany for Week Ending 24 August 1946

Land	Popu- lation	Cases, Deaths	Reported Number of New CASES and DEATHS of COMMUNICABLE DISEASE																							c: Cases d: Deaths				
			Typhus Fever louse borne	Relapsing Fever	Smallpox	Cholera	Plague	Anthrax	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis lung and larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis meningococcus	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies	Rabies	Encephalitis	Malaria	Influenza	Measles		
Bavaria	8,169,731	P c	—	—	—	—	—	—	337 14	89	275 54	22 5	374 —	2 2	4 —	1360 475	84 7	10 —	18 1	1 —	1 —	—	—	1734	—	2 —	4 —	—	—	108
Greater Hesse	3,793,452	P c	—	—	—	—	—	—	208 9	61	183 37	38 3	228 1	3 1	6 —	631 274	16 18	6 —	6 —	—	—	1 —	3 —	577	—	2 —	4 —	14	16	
Württemberg Baden	3,293,283	P c	—	—	—	—	—	—	182 8	46	115 22	26 2	226 1	—	8 4	471 128	25 1	7 1	8 —	—	—	—	2 —	818	—	—	1 —	—	17	
Bremen Port Command	478,106	P c	—	—	—	—	—	—	52 1	6	19 4	5 1	5 —	1 1	7 3	148 37	1 4	2 —	—	—	—	—	—	151	—	—	—	—	—	
Berlin (US Sector)	944,818	P c	—	—	—	—	—	—	95 2	21	101 45	32 —	—	—	2 1	300 142	14 1	10 —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6 —	—	—	

Case Rate Expressed as per 10,000 Population per Annum

Bavaria	8,169,731	—	—	—	—	21.43	5.66	17.49	1.40	23.79	.13	.25	86.50	30.21	5.34	.64	1.14	.06	—	—	110.28	—	.13	.25	—	6.87
Greater Hesse	3,793,452	—	—	—	—	28.52	8.36	25.09	5.21	31.26	.41	.82	86.51	37.55	2.19	2.47	.82	—	.14	.41	79.11	—	.27	.55	1.92	2.19
Württemberg-Baden	3,293,283	—	—	—	—	28.74	7.26	18.16	4.10	35.68	—	1.26	74.37	20.21	3.95	1.10	1.26	—	—	.31	129.16	—	—	.16	—	2.68
Bremen Port Command	478,106	—	—	—	—	56.55	6.52	20.66	5.44	5.44	1.09	7.61	160.96	40.24	1.09	4.35	2.17	—	—	—	164.23	—	—	—	—	—
Berlin (US Sector)	944,818	—	—	—	—	52.29	11.56	55.59	17.61	+	—	1.10	165.12	78.16	7.70	.55	5.50	—	—	—	+	—	—	3.30	+	+

+ No data submitted

APPENDIX "C" Communicable Disease Rates United States Zone of Germany for Week Ending 24 August 1946

Regierungs- Bezirk	Popu- lation	Typhus Fever louse borne	Relapsing Fever	Smallpox	Cholera	Plague	Anthrax	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis lung & larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningococcus	Polio-myelitis	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies	Rabies	Encephalitis epidemic	Malaria	Influenza	Measles
Total US Zone	16,679,390	—	—	—	—	—	—	27.27	6.96	21.62	3.84	25.99	.19	.84	90.79	32.95	4.37	1.25	1.37	.03	.08	.16	102.34	—	.12	.47	.44	4.40
Unterfranken	935,625	—	—	—	—	—	—	21.12	2.78	25.01	1.11	22.23	—	—	40.57	23.90	5.56	1.67	2.78	—	—	—	126.72	—	.55	—	—	1.67
Ober- and Mittelfranken	2,166,033	—	—	—	—	—	—	22.09	8.16	18.25	.48	19.21	—	.24	101.80	41.78	3.84	.72	.48	—	—	—	110.45	—	—	—	—	11.28
Niederbayern and Oberpfalz	1,866,526	—	—	—	—	—	—	24.52	2.51	7.24	1.39	16.44	.56	.28	78.56	26.47	8.08	—	1.95	—	—	—	158.80	—	—	—	—	.28
Schwaben	1,040,631	—	—	—	—	—	—	19.49	9.99	19.49	2.00	60.46	—	—	85.45	25.48	6.99	1.50	.50	.50	—	—	104.44	—	—	—	—	.50
Oberbayern	2,160,916	—	—	—	—	—	—	19.25	5.05	21.41	2.16	17.80	—	.48	98.65	26.95	3.61	.24	.72	—	—	—	64.24	—	.24	.72	—	13.47
Kassel	1,153,323	—	—	—	—	—	—	30.21	11.72	14.43	5.41	25.70	—	1.80	63.13	21.64	2.25	—	.45	—	.45	—	105.86	—	—	.45	—	2.70
Wiesbaden	1,461,997	—	—	—	—	—	—	27.74	8.18	27.74	8.18	34.86	—	—	109.91	57.62	2.84	4.27	1.42	—	—	—	11.38	—	.36	1.07	—	.36
Hessen	1,178,132	—	—	—	—	—	—	27.81	5.30	32.22	1.32	32.22	1.32	.88	80.33	28.25	1.32	2.65	.44	—	—	1.32	135.95	—	.44	—	6.18	3.97
Baden	1,249,127	—	—	—	—	—	—	27.89	7.08	21.65	7.49	44.54	—	1.25	88.67	22.06	4.58	.83	2.50	—	—	.42	279.75	—	—	.42	—	—
Württemberg	2,044,156	—	—	—	—	—	—	29.26	7.88	16.03	2.03	30.27	—	1.27	65.63	19.08	3.56	1.27	.50	—	—	.25	37.14	—	—	—	—	4.32
Bremen Port Command	478,106	—	—	—	—	—	—	56.55	6.52	20.66	5.44	5.44	1.09	7.61	160.96	40.24	1.09	4.35	2.17	—	—	—	164.23	—	—	—	—	—
Berlin (US Sector)	944,818	—	—	—	—	—	—	52.29	11.56	55.59	17.61	+	—	1.10	165.12	78.16	7.70	0.55	5.50	—	—	—	+	—	—	3.30	+	+

a] Bremen included in report. + No data submitted.
(Rates Expressed as per 10,000 per Annum).

